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SUBJECT: CZECHOSLOVAK-PAKISTANI RELATIONS

1. DCM OF PAKISTAN EMBASSY NAEEMUDDIN HASSAN
TOLD EMBOFF AT DIPLOMATIC GATHERING JULY 29 THAT A VISIT TO
PAKISTAN BY CZECHOSLOVAK FOREIGN MINISTER CHNOUPEK WOULD TAKE
PLACE IN 1977 AND THAT OFFICIAL INVITATION HAD ALREADY BEEN EXTENDED.
HE ADDED THAT IT WOULD BE THE FIRST VISIT TO PAKISTAN EVER BY A
CZECHOSLOVAK FOREIGN MINISTER. HE SAID THAT THE NORMALIZATION
OF RELATIONS ON THE SUB-CONTINENT HAD MADE POSSIBLE THE SLIGHT
THAW IN CZECH-PAK RELATIONS WHICH HAS BEEN TAKING PLACE RECENTLY.

2. DURING SUBSEQUENT CALL ON ME JULY 30, PAKISTANI AMBASSADOR
JAFRI SAID THAT CZECH MINISTER OF CULTURE, MILAN KLUSAK, MIGHT
GO TO PAKISTAN IN COMING MONTHS TO RECIPROCATATE VISIT HERE BY
PAKISTANI MINISTER OF CULTURE IN JANUARY 1976. AMBASSADOR
JAFRI ADDED THAT KLUSAK VISIT MIGHT POSSIBLY SUPPLANT INTENDED
VISIT OF CHNOUPEK. IN ANY CASE, HE NOTED, GOP RELATIONS WITH
CZECHOSLOVAKIA REMAIN DISTINCTLY LIMITED.
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